

PATIE and ROGER:

A

PASTORAL

Inscribed to

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Secretary of the Admiralty.

Are o'er the Hills and far awa; some vines and Bauld Boreas fleeps, the Zephyrs blaw,

And ilka Thing

Sana need he has of S

Sae dainty, youthfu', gay and braw

Invites to fing.

Then let's begin by greek of Day, and and and and

Kind Muse skiff to the Bent away, and an arodum will

To try anes mair the Landart Lay,

With a thy Speed,

Since BURCHET awns that thou can play

Upon the Reed.

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Anes, anes again beneath some Tree Exert thy Skill and nat'ral Glee To him wha has sae court'ously,

To weaker Sight,

Set these rude Sonnets sung by me

In truest Light.

In trueft Light may a that's fine In his fair Character still shine, Sma need he has of Sangs like mine,

To beet his Name;

For frae the North to Southren Line,

Wide gangs bis Fame.

His Fame, which ever shall abide, While Hist'rys tell of Tyrants Pride, Wha vainly strave upon the Tide

T' invade these Lands;

Where Briton's Royal Fleet doth ride,

Which Still commands.

These doughty Actions frae his Pen, Our Age, and these to come, shall ken, How stubborn Navies did contend

Upon the Waves,

How free-born Britons faught like Men,

Their Faes like Slaves.



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Sae far inscribing, Sir, to you, This Country Sang my Fancy flew Keen your just Merit to pursue;

But ah! I fear

In giving Praises that are due

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Yet tent a Poet's zealous Pray'r;
May Powers aboon, with kindly Care,
Grant you a lang and miekle Skair

Of a that's Good,

'Till unto langest Life and mair

You've healthfou stood.

May never Cares your Blessings sowr,

And may the Muses ilka Hour

Improve your Mind, and haunt your Bower,

Pm but a Callan,

Yet may I please ye while I'm your

Devouted ALLAN.





PATIE and ROGER.

Beneath the South-side of a Craigy Bield,
Where a clear Spring did halesom Water yield,
Twa youthsou Shepherds on the Gowans lay,
Tenting their Flocks ae bonny Morn of May:
Poor Roger gran'd till hollow Echoes rang,
While merry Patie humm'd himsell a Sang:
Then turning to his Friend in blythsom Mood,
Quoth he, how does this Sunshine chear my Blood?
How hartsome is't to see the rising Plants,
To hear the Burds chirm o'er their Morning Rants?
How tosie is't to snuff the cauller Air,
And a the Sweets it bears when void of Care?
What ails thee, Roger, then what gars the grane?
Tell me the Cause of thy ill-scason'd Pain.

ROGER.

O, Patie, I'm born to unlucky Fate, i'm born to strive with Hardships dire and great;

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Tempests may cease to jaw the rowan Flood, Corbies and Tods to grein for Lambkins Blood, But I opprest with never ending Grief, Maun ay dispair of lighting on Relief,

PATIE.

The Bees shall loath the Flower and quat the Hive,
The Saughs on boggie Ground shall cease to thrive,
E'er scornsou Queans, or Loss of warldly Gear,
Shall spill my Rest, or ever Force a Tear.

ROGER.

Sae might I say, but its no easy done

By ane wha's Saul is sadly out o' Tune:
You have sae saft a Voice and slid a Tongue,
You are the Darling of baith auld and young:

If I but etle at a Sang, or speak,
They dit their Lugs, syn up their Leglens cleek,
And jeer me hameward frae the Loan or Bought,
While I'm confus'd with mony a vexing Thought:
Yet I am tall, and as well shap'd as thee,
Nor mair unlikly to a Lasse's Eye:
For ilka Sheep ye have I'll number ten,
And shou'd, as ane might think, come farrer ben.

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PATIE.

But ablins, Nibour, ye have not a Heart,
Nor downa eithly wi' your Cunzie part:
If that be true, what fignifies your Gear?
A Mind that's scrimpit never wants some Care.

ROGER.

My Byar tumbled, Nine braw Nowt were smoor'd,
Three Elsshot were, yet I these ills endur'd.
In Winter last my Cares were very sma,
Tho Scores of Wathers perish'd in the Snaw.

PATIE.

Were your been Rooms as thinly stock'd as mine,

Less you wad loss, and less you wad repine:

He wha has just enough, can soundly sleep,

The O'ercome only fashes Fouk to keep.

ROGER.

May Plenty flow upon thee for a Cross,

That thou may'ft thole the Pangs of frequent Loss;

O may'ft thou dote on some fair paughty Wench,

Wha ne'er will lout thy lowan Drouth to quench,

Till, birs'd beneath the Burden, thou cry Dool,

And awn that ane may fret that is nae Fool.

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Sax good fat Lambs, I fald them ilka Cloot

It the West-bow, and bought a winfome Flute,

Of Plumb-tree made, with Iv'ry Virles round,

Adainty Whiftle with a pleasant Sound;

Il be mair canty wi't, and ne'er cry Dool,

Than you with a your Gear, ye dowie Fool.

ROGER.

Na, Patie, I am nae sic churlish Beast, ome ither Things ly heavier at my Breast; dream'd a dreery Dream this hinder Night, That gars my Flesh a creep yet wi' the Fright.

PATIE.

Now to your Friend how filly's this Pretence,
To ane wha you and a' your Secrets kens:
Daft are your Dreams, as daftly wad ye hide
Your well-seen Love, and dorty Jenny's Pride:
Take Courage, Roger, me your Sorrows tell,
And safely think nane kens them but your sell.

ROGER.

O, Patie, ye have guest indeed o'er true, And there is naithing I'll keep up frae you;

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Me dorty Jenny looks upon asquint,

To speak but till her I dare hardly mint;

In ilky Place she jeers me air and late,

And gars me look bumbas'd and unco blate:

But yesterday I met her yont a Know,

She fled as frae a Shellycoat or Kow;

She Bauldy loo's, Bauldy that drives the Car,

But gecks at me, and says I smell o' Tar.

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But Bauldy loo's nae her right well I wat,

He fighs for Neps; —— fae that may fland for that.

ROGER.

I wish I coud na loo her,—but in vain,

I still maun dote and thole her proud Disdain:

My Bauty is a Cur I dearly like,

Till he youl'd sair she strake the poor dumb Tyke;

If I had fill'd a Nook within her Breast,

She wad hae shawn mair Kindness to my Beast.

When I begin to tune my Stock and Horn,

With a' her Face she shaws a cauldrise Scorn:

Last Time I play'd, ye never saw sic Spite,

O'er Bogie was the Spring, and her Delight,

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Yet tauntingly she at her Nibour speer'd Gin she cou'd tell what Tune I play'd, and sneer'd. Flocks wander where ye like, I dinna care, I'll break my Reed and never whiftle mair.

PATIE.

E'en do sae, Reger, wha can help Misluck, Saebeins she be sic a thrawngabet Chuck; Yonder's a Craig, fince ye have tint a Hop. Gae till't ye'r ways, and take the Lover's Loup.

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ROGER.

I need na make fic Speed my Blood to spill, I'll warrand Death come foon enough a will.

PATIE.

Daft Gowk! Leave off that filly whindging Way, Seem careless, there's my Hand ye'll win the Day. Last Morning I was unco airly out, Upon a Dyke I lean'd and glowr'd about; I faw my Meg come linkan o'er the Lee, I saw my Meg, but Maggie saw na me: For yet the Sun was wading throu' the Mift, And she was closs upon me e'er she wist. Her Coats were kiltit, and did sweetly shaw Her straight bare Legs, which whiter were than Snaw:

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Her Cockernony fnooded up fou fleek. Her hafet Locks hung waving on her Cheek: Her Cheek sae ruddy! and her Een sae clear! And O! her Mouth's like ony hinny Pear, Neat, neat the was in Bustine Wastcoat clean, As the came skiffing o'er the dewy Green; Blythsome I cry'd, My bonny Meg come here, I ferly wherefore ye're sae soon a steer: But now I guess ye're gawn to gather Dew. She scour'd awa, and said, What's that to you? Then fare ye well, Meg-dorts, and e'ens ye like, I careless cry'd, and lap in o'er the Dyke. I trow, when that she saw, within a Crack With a right theirless Errand she came back, Miscau'd me first, --- then bade me hound my Dog To weer up three waff Ews were on the Bog. I leugh, and sae did she, then wi' great haste I clasp'd my Arms about her Neck and Waist; About her yielding Waist, and took a Fouth Of sweetest Kisses frae her glowan Mouth: While hard and fast I held her in my Grips, My very Saul came louping to my Lips. Sair, sair she flete wi' me 'tween ilka Smak, But well I kend she mean'd na as she spake.

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Dear Roger, when your Jo puts on her Gloom,
Do ye sae too, and never fash ye'r Thumb;
Seem to forsake her, soon she'll change her Mood;
Gae woo anither, and she'll gang clean wood.

ROGER.

Kind Patie, now fair faw your honest Heart,
Ye'r ay sae cadgie and hae sic an Art
To hearten ane: — For now as clean's a Leek
Ye've cherisht me since ye began to speak;
Sae for your Pains I'll make ye a Propine,
My Mither, honest Wise, has made it sine;
A Tartan Plaid, spun of good hauslock Woo,
Scarlet and Green the Sets, the Borders Blue,
With Spraings like Gou'd and Siller cross'd wi' Black
I never had it yet upon my Back.
Well are ye wordy o't, wha ha'e sae kind
Redd up my ravel'd Doubts, and clear'd my Mind.

PATIE.

Well, hadd ye there,— and fince ye've frankly made

A Present to me of your braw new Plaid,

My Flute's be yours, and she too that's sae nice,

Shall come a Will, if you'll take my Advice.

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ROGER.

As ye advise I'll promise to observ't,

But you maun keep the Flute, ye best deserv't.

Now take it out and gies a bonny Spring,

For I'm in tist to hear you play or sing.

PATIE.

But first we'll take a Turn up to the Hight,
And see gin a our Flocks be seeding Right:
Be that Time Bannocks and a Shave of Cheese
Will make a Breakfast that a Laird might please;
Might please our Laird, gin he were but sae wise
To season Meat wi' Health instead of Spice:
When we ha'e tane the Grace Drink at this Well,
I'D whistle fine, and sing t'ye like my fel!.



